

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
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NEWS RELEASE



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UPPER COOK INLET COMMERCIAL FISHING ANNOUNCEMENT No. 22
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Upper Cook Inlet Commercial Fishing Announcement No. 22 opens drift gillnetting in the Expanded Kenai and Expanded Kasilof Sections of the Upper Subdistrict on Monday, July 23, 2012, from 7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m., and on Tuesday, July 24, 2012, from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m.

The escapement rate of sockeye salmon into the Kenai and Kasilof Rivers is proceeding at a rate greater than that needed to assure optimum escapement levels. In order to reduce the rate of escapement, additional fishing time in the area described above is warranted.

Drifters are reminded that because set gillnetting is closed in the Upper Subdistrict that drifting within one mile of the Kenai Peninsula shoreline north of the Kenai River and within one and one-half miles of the Kenai Peninsula shoreline south of the Kenai River is closed until further notice.